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In re Application of

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15	For:	Processing of enterprise messages integrating voice messaging and data systems
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This paper responds to the outstanding office action mailed May 3, 2006. A one (1) month extension of time is submitted to extend the response deadline through September 5, 25 2006. Reconsideration and favorable action are requested, for the reasons set forth below.

REMARKS

At the outset, the Examiner is thanked for the indication that claims 2-5, 8, 10-13, 16, 18-21 and 24 describe patentable subject matter. For the reasons set forth below, it is submitted that independent claims 1, 9 and 17 are patentable; thus, for the time being, the dependent claims that 30 have been indicated as allowable have not yet been rewritten into independent form.

Claims 1, 6-7, 9, 14-15, 17, 22-23 and 25 were rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Rogers et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,946,386. Separately, claims 1, 9, 17 and 25 were rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Stephens et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,259,772. Respectfully, these rejections are traversed.

35 The Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) § 2131 provides that a "claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or